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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT & TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: :

Applicants: Hua CHEN et al. : Group Art Unit: 2176

Serial No.: 09/727,491 : Examiner: Unassigned

Filed: December 4, 2000 :

For: AUTOMATIC, MULTI-STAGE RICH MEDIA CONTENT CREATION
USING A FRAMEWORK BASED DIGITAL WORKFLOW - SYSTEMS,
METHODS AND PROGRAM PRODUCTS

Commissioner of Patents
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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

Prior the examination on the merits, please make the following changes in the above-identified application to correct minor informalities in the application as filed.

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Applicants hereby amends page 1, lines 9-10 by replacing paragraph 1 of the specification to read as follows:

Serial No. 09/727,524 entitled "An XML-Based Textual Specification for Rich-Media Content Creation – Systems, Methods And Program Products", filed December 4, 2000, (SOM920000010US1/1963-7399), assigned to the same assignee as that of the present invention and fully incorporated herein by reference.

REMARKS

The above amendment to the specification was made to correct minor informalities in the as-filed application. No new matter has been added. In compliance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.121, Attachment A is attached hereto.

ADDITIONAL FEES

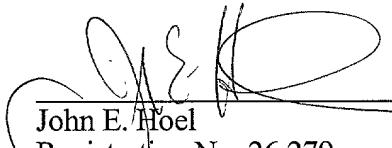
The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required for this amendment, or credit any overpayment to IBM Corporation Deposit Account No. 09-0459. Order No. SOM92000009US1/1963-7398.

Respectfully submitted,

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